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THE MIDDLE IN WYOMING.

Senator Warren Regards It as Practically Settled.

WHO WILL SUCCEED HIM?

Enemies Who Are Making a Still Hunt for His Seat.

He Has Been a Surety Friend of Utah and a Firm Champion and Supporter of Home Rule.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The legislative middle in Wyoming continues to attract the attention of politicians here. The Republicans are making desperate efforts to retain their control of the senate, and it now looks as though they will succeed. The situation in Wyoming is regarded as practically settled. Senator Warren has been assuring his Republican friends that even if the two contested seats in the state legislature were given to the contesting Democrats, the Republicans will still have a majority of one on the joint ballot.

This being the case, the question arises who will succeed Mr. Warren? The latter is personally an agreeable man who, during his short stay in the senate, has become very popular with his colleagues. He has worked very hard for the interest of his state, and his friends, both in Washington and at home are making every endeavor to secure his re-election. It would appear however, from the reports that reach here from Cheyenne, that the Senator's enemies are making every effort to secure his defeat. The Governor himself is a little apprehensive lest they may succeed. So long as the contest is one in which only Republicans are engaged, Democrats can afford to view it with complacency.

WYOMING'S CONTEST.

Carbon County Against the State Canvassing Board in the Supreme Court.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The first stand taken by the defendants in the case of S. B. Bennett and Harry A. Chapman, candidates for the legislature to Carbon county, against Amos W. Barber, Charles W. Bardick and Otto Graman, constituting the state canvassing board, was presented to the supreme court before the supreme court to quash the alternative writ of mandamus issued against the defendants by Chief Justice Grosbeck last week. The ground relied upon for the sustaining of the motion was that a justice of the supreme court has no power to issue a writ during vacation.

Counsel for the defendants insisted that the constitution of the state gave to the court, and not the judges, the power to issue a writ of mandamus against the state officers. The judges, they contended, had no power to issue writs of habeas corpus, or writs of mandamus, or writs of prohibition. Several states had held that a power given to a court could not be exercised by a judge, while the counsel for the plaintiffs insisted that judges had the power conferred on them by statute. The constitution gave to the supreme court the original jurisdiction in mandamus suits against state officers.

This being the case, to hold that the writ could not be issued in vacation would be either to hold that at certain times the writ could not be issued at all, thus denying justice to the people, or else would compel the supreme court to remain in perpetual session.

In case the motion should be sustained a new suit will be at once issued by the court and the main question considered.

Carbon County Republicans Disgusted.

RAWLINS, Wyo., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A prominent Carbon business man in town today says should the decisions of the supreme court be favorable to County Clerk Ross' return, throwing out Hanna precincts, that the Republican party of Carbon county is burst, as more Republicans than Democrats deprecate his action.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

A Committee of Five Selected to Look After Western Contests.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Republican Senatorial caucus met again at 10 this morning and further discussed the programme to be followed by the party in regard to prospective Senatorial contests in several western states. A resolution of Senator Hawley of Connecticut was adopted authorizing the chairman, Senator Sherman, to appoint a committee of five senators to take into consideration the wisdom and propriety of Senatorial influence in these contests. The obvious purpose of the resolution is to reflect unpleasantly upon the "pernicious activity" of the Democratic caucus committee in this matter. Further than that nothing was done except to discuss the general outlook in the west and the result of this was to greatly encourage western senators inasmuch as it demonstrated that their eastern colleagues were by no means lukewarm in the matter. The caucus then adjourned subject to call.

The senators who participated in the discussion were Messrs. Sanders, Perkins, Dubois, Warren, Manderson, Paddock, Hoar, Hale, Hawley, Morrill, Carey and Sherman. The consensus of opinion expressed was that while senators did not desire nor pretend to interfere with states in carrying out the will of the people, it was the duty of the Republican senators of the Senate to resist strenuously the action of the Democratic who now, as they charge, are trying to pervert public sentiment. It was shown to the satisfaction of the caucus that the Democratic organizing committee has a ground upon which to base the opinion which it gave out in an authorized interview in New York, and in corroboration of this some figures were produced.

In Nebraska, it was said by the speakers, the Democrats had not four mem-

bers in the entire legislature and in Kansas but seven. In North Dakota the Republicans had a clear majority of nine in both branches, and in Wyoming five. The California and Montana vote was close with the Populists holding the balance of power.

Senator Morrill made a strong speech in which he decried the assertions made by the Democrats and urged the Republicans to do what ever might be necessary to make plain the fact that such assertions were based upon assumptions of a most violent character, and insulting to the integrity and honesty of the Republican party.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS

Both Houses Agree to a Resolution for the Holiday Adjournment.

The Anti-Option Bill Again Discussed in the Senate—Indian Affairs Occupy the Time of the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A very strong presentation in favor of the claimant in the McGarran case was made in the Senate today by Mr. Hunt of Virginia. The chief point made by him was that after the hearing before President Lincoln, in which both sides were represented by counsel, Mr. Lincoln decided in support of the claim and directed the issuance of a patent. That patent was actually filled out and signed and was afterward, before McGarran knew of its existence, mutilated in the land office of the interior department.

The morning hour expired before the argument was concluded and the bill went over without action till Monday.

The next in the morning hour was the anti-option bill which was taken up, Mr. George continuing his speech in favor of it.

Senator Powers introduced an amendment to the bill defining options and futures, and asking silver bullion to the articles, a dealer in which must obtain a license.

A motion that when the Senate adjourn it be till Monday was opposed by Mr. Washburne in the interest of the bill, and the vice-president cast his vote in favor of adjournment to the time specified.

The Senate then went into executive session, and when the doors opened adjourned until Monday.

IN THE HOUSE.

The Committee on Indian Affairs Accorded the Floor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The House agreed to a concurrent resolution for a recess Dec. 22 to Jan. 2, and also adopted a resolution setting apart today, after the morning hour, for business called up by the committee on Indian affairs.

The bill making it unlawful for any person, male or female, to insert in any bill of lading a clause or release it from liability for loss in transportation of merchandise committed to its care, was passed.

The first bill called was one authorizing the secretary of the treasury to convert into gold the silver certificates issued for Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians, which was passed.

Then was called up a resolution giving, in response to a request for information by the president, in a message on February 17, 1892, the opinion of the House that there was not sufficient reason for interference in the execution of law for payment to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians for their interest in the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservations.

After some discussion the resolution was agreed to, and a bill passed to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Chickasaw Indians in Oklahoma territory. The House then adjourned until Saturday.

TREASURY INVESTIGATION.

A Plan Agreed Upon by the Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The meeting of the committee on Ways and Means this morning was to consider the resolution regarding an investigation into the financial condition of the treasury. Some favored investigation by the entire committee, others believed the results could be expedited by assigning the work to a sub-committee. The matter was finally settled by the adoption of the following, presented by Mr. Wilson of West Virginia.

Resolved, That the inquiry devolved upon this committee by a resolution adopted by the House on the 15th instant be conducted by a sub-committee, to be composed of its members, consisting of the chairman and four members appointed by him.

CULLOM'S AMENDMENT.

Senator Peffer regards it a Very Dangerous Measure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Populists in Congress have taken alarm at certain measures aimed at the inter-state commerce act. Senator Peffer today said he wished to call attention to some significant facts in connection with the pending Cullom bill to amend the act. This bill, he said, was marked, "introduced by request," and he intimated it was done at the request of railway people. It was framed to act in connection with the pending Cullom bill to amend the act. This bill, he said, was marked, "introduced by request," and he intimated it was done at the request of railway people. It was framed to act in connection with the pending Cullom bill to amend the act.

Fort Harrison, Montana.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The military post authorized by act of Congress approved May 12, 1892, to be established at or near Helena, Mont., will be known and designated as Fort Harrison, in compliment to the president of the United States.

ARIZONA ANXIOUS TO COME IN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Governor Murphy, of Arizona, is in Washington, strongly urging the immediate admission of the territory to the union.

THE NICHOLSON CANAL.

A committee composed of Walter Graham of Texas, Charles M. Shelly of Alabama, Mr. Mayberry of Michigan, Edward F. Cragin of Illinois, F. J. Odenwald of Louisiana, and Richard L. Ed-

wards of New York, made their appearance this evening to promote the Nicholson canal project in Congress. This committee was appointed by the National Nicaragua Canal convention.

TO REPEAL THE PENSION LAWS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Anthony of Texas, introduced a bill repealing the act of June 17, 1890, granting pensions to soldiers and sailors and widows, minor children and dependent parents of soldiers and sailors. The bill also provides that all pensions granted under the act shall be discontinued.

DEFICIENCIES IN THE POSTAL SERVICE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The secretary of the treasury today introduced an estimate of deficiencies in appropriations on account of the postal service. The deficiency amounts to \$287,970 and covers the years 1891 and 1892.

THE READING COMBINE.

The House Committee Resumes Its Investigation of the Matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The House committee resumed its investigation of the Reading combine today. Among those examined were E. B. Cox, of the well known coal firm of Cox Brothers & Co. He was asked whether the coal producing business was profitable in recent years. He stated he thought people who had money to invest in coal, did not, on the whole, make fair interest on it. It is the most risky business he knew. Until it got into the hands of the big combine he thought the business was a great deal larger than in any other calling. In view of Cox's first union of the transportation and coal producing companies was due to business necessities and competition arising from the fact that transporters found the organization of big companies was menacing them.

BLAINE'S CONDITION.

He Speaks Freely of Death and Is Preparing for the End.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Inquiry at Blaine's residence tonight was received with "Mr. Blaine's condition is about the same." From other sources it is learned the conditions are less favorable than this morning, and not only is there no doubt that he is a very sick man, but his present condition excites grave fears. A person qualified to speak by reason of the relationship with the family said Blaine's trouble is with his kidneys. These have become congested whenever he takes cold. Furthermore, his throat and lungs are affected and his system is growing weaker day by day. He speaks freely upon the subject of death, and is preparing for the end which he realizes cannot be a long way off. A loving father, and the death of three children within a comparatively brief period has sorely stricken him and his grief has hastened the progress of the malady with which he is afflicted.

WHAT HIS FAMILY PHYSICIAN SAYS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Dr. Johnson, Blaine's physician, says there is no doubt that he is a very sick man, but he is not in a critical condition when he left him yesterday afternoon that Blaine was sitting up in bed feeling very comfortable, and there had been no little cause for alarm since that time. He has not thought necessary to visit the patient. The rumor that Blaine was in an extreme condition is supposed to have arisen from the fact that his daughter, Mrs. Damschke came over from New York to see him.

HE WILL GO TO FLORIDA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—It is said in Washington that the climate does not agree with Blaine, and that as soon as possible he will go either to Aiken, S. C., or Florida, instead of waiting until strong enough to go to California, as originally intended.

MANLY VISIT TO THE EX-SERVANT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Joseph Manly of Maine, who returned tonight from a visit to Washington, said the reports about Blaine's ill health were exaggerated, and that the ex-servant was feeling better. The report of his joining the Catholic church Manly declared is ridiculous.

A GRIEVOUS WRONG.

An Innocent Boy Arrested Upon a Charge of Theft at Yale College.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 15.—The case of Thomas Glynn, a Vermont, Yale freshman of Verochita, Ill., charged with stealing money and jewelry valued at \$500 from D. R. Anderson, director in the Yale gymnasium, came up in the city court today, but was discontinued. A detective is quoted as tacitly admitting that a gross error was committed in arresting Glynn, and said had the authorities possessed the information last night which they now have, the arrest would not have occurred.

Vermont's father is on his way from Chicago, and interesting developments are looked for when he arrives. Common rumor has said suits for false imprisonment may follow.

KANSAS SENATORIAL FIGHT.

Democratic Leaders from the State Hold a Meeting at Topeka.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 15.—Democratic leaders from all parts of the state are here to attend a meeting of the Democratic Central committee to decide the senatorial question. Numerous candidates are in the field, but John Martin seems to have a lead which will be hard to overcome, the belief being that he can best unite all members of the party. With the aid of one Democrat the Populists can elect a senator, and Senator O'Brien, although a strict Democrat, makes it impossible to elect any Democrat other than a Populist. The Populists will decide who that Populist will be.

The conference occupied all afternoon and part of the evening. Nothing was decided beyond a general understanding that an attempt would be made by Democrats to hold the balance of power in the legislature.

CLEVELAND'S PLURALITY IN NEW YORK.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Figures of the state board of canvassers, made today, show that the national Democratic ticket had 48,449 plurality in this state in the November election.

ABDALLAH IS SOLED.

CENTHANA, Ky., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Anna Wilson, widow of the late W. H. Wilson, sold the famous Abdallah park, near this city, this morning to Ben Hey of Cincinnati for \$21,500. The park contains one of the finest mile tracks in the state, grand stand and extensive stables, and contains seventy-five acres.

A KANSAS NATIONAL BANK CLOSED.

NEWTON, Kan., Dec. 15.—The Newton National bank closed its doors at 11:30 o'clock this morning, posting upon them the notice, "Bank closed. In the hands of the government." The only information secured concerning the matter in afternoon, funds gave out and the officials voluntarily closed the bank. The bank was closed Nov. 21, 1891, in the failure involving the bank, but the Whitewater and other places. In July, 1891, it reopened under an agreement with its old depositors.

PACKER, THE MAN EATER.

He Killed Five Comrades and Confessed Eating Them.

A MOST HORRIBLE CRIME.

It Is Now Recalled by Hahers Corpus Proceedings in Denver.

The Story Again Retold of the Trip From Brigham City, Utah, to Los Pinos Agency.

DENVER, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Judge Bailey of Canyon City is now in Denver engaged in hearing a writ of habeas corpus, and his decision may give freedom to Alfred Packer, the man-eater, the man that was convicted of killing his five comrades and who confessed eating them, and who only escaped hanging through a technicality of the law. The crime is the most horrible ever recorded in Colorado, and old-timers shudder when the story is retold.

Alfred Packer, with a party of five prospectors, left Brigham, Utah, for the Los Pinos agency in January, 1874. In March of the same year he appeared at the agency alone. He told many conflicting stories as to the fate of his companions, finally stating that all had died on the trip and for several days he had subsisted on the flesh from their bodies.

A party was organized to go in search of the bodies but Packer refused to go along and was arrested and placed in jail on a charge of murder. He was taken to Saguache to await trial, but escaped and was at liberty until in the summer of 1883 when he was arrested near Cheyenne, Wyo., and brought to Denver.

When re-arrested Packer stated that one day while he was away from camp John Bell one of the party had killed his four companions and when he, Packer, returned he was assaulted by Bell and he asserted that he had killed Bell in defending himself. Packer was taken from Denver to Lake City where he was convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged.

The case was appealed to the supreme court and remanded to the lower court for retrial, as the murder law was inoperative in this state at that time. He was convicted of manslaughter on five separate counts. Judge Harrison, before whom the case was tried, sentenced him to eight years on each count, making a total of forty years. At that time the feeling against Packer was so strong in the state that anything was considered a very light one, although it was the extreme penalty authorized by law.

When the sentence was pronounced Packer remarked: "Henceforth I am dead to the world," for he at that time expected to serve the entire sentence in prison. The three years he had spent in prison had wrecked his formerly strong constitution, and when he was received at the "pen" he was in a bad condition physically. He has always been a mild and dutiful prisoner, yet the guards have felt a superstitious dread when in his presence, and expected to be devoured by the human flesh had been so often repeated that none can look upon the pale and haggard man without this feeling. He has been heard to remark that the flesh of the human breast is far superior in flavor to that of any he has ever tasted.

Packer is a tall slender man with oval face, deep eyes, pointed chin, broad and moderately high forehead, sharp, straight nose, and whose every appearance would impress you as being a man of wealth. He is a pensioner, having fought in the army. The story Packer tells about the killing of Wells in self-defense is not credited, as he robbed all of his comrades and the dead bodies showed several bullet holes and gashes from blows of an ax.

The attorneys for the defense base their authority on the famous Tweed case of New York, and state that as he has served the eight years imposed on him for the first count in the indictment, he has complied with the law. The case has created unusual excitement in Denver, and old-timers are much excited. Arrests are being made and it is rumored will be made for him if he ever regains his liberty.

BUGUS LOTTERY TICKETS.

A Concern in Chicago That Has Disposed of Millions of Them.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—Detectives today unearthed a concern that for a long time has been turning out thousands of bogus tickets for the Louisiana lottery and others. J. B. St. Pierre, who was found on the premises, was held to the grand jury in \$1,000 bonds. Lithographers' tools and stones worth \$10,000 were found and immense piles of bogus tickets gathered up. Stanger was the only workman in charge and who is behind him is not known. The counterfeiters disposed of half a million tickets at full price.

A WOMAN FORGER.

She Victimizes Many Banks in the Southern States.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 15.—News is received of the arrest at Huntsville, Ala., of Annie Murphy, alias Miss McKee, supposed to have forged numerous drafts purporting to be drawn by the Tacoma National Bank of Commerce on the Chase National Bank of New York. She tried to cash a similar draft at Huntsville yesterday, and inquiry by the Huntsville bank of the cashier, the Tacoma bank, led to her arrest. This woman's clever transactions have been causing the banks trouble all over the country.

HE BURNED THE BODY.

LEWISTON, Ida., Dec. 15.—At Warren's mining camp, 185 miles distant, Jack Wilkins was shot and killed by Harry Schiller, a week ago. Both were in love with the same girl, but Wilkins married her. Next day with the doctors told Schiller's house the latter shot him.

A NEGRO RAVISHER LYNNED.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 15.—Last night at Bellevue near here a negro outraged a respectable white girl, Emma O'Brien. A posse started in pursuit and reported that the ravisher was caught and hanged to a tree and the body afterwards cremated.

THE ORDER OF SOLO.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.—In the trial of the ex-supreme officers of the Order of Solop today, Ex-Supreme Treasurer Godfrey took the stand and made a general denial of the charges.

HENRIETTA WILSON'S MURDERER.

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A BRUTAL ATTACK.

Made by a Condemned Murderer on His Death Watch.

With a Knife He Slashes an Old Man in a Horrible Manner and Then Suicide.

LEAHENWORTH, Kas., Dec. 15.—Early this morning C. A. Benson, Theresa Mettman's murderer, made a vigorous attack with a murderous knife upon Captain Morgan, the aged death-watch of Benson, and slashed and cut him about the face in a terrible manner. The wounds, however, are not considered dangerous. The old man pleaded so hard for mercy that Benson said he could not find time to kill him.

The disturbance brought the jailers, and as they were coming up stairs Benson plunged the knife twice into his left side. The condemned man told them he had taken nothing to eat for five minutes. It was not discovered what was the nature of the poison Benson took.

At noon he was in an unconscious condition and his condition was considered hopeless. The wounds in his side have a horrible appearance. They would prove fatal without the aid of poison.

Shortly after Benson's attempt at murder and suicide physicians were summoned. They administered opiates, opened Benson's body and took out his stomach and bowels, and could find no trace of poison. Both cuts were on the left side just under the ribs and had severed small blood vessels and there was considerable internal hemorrhage. Sheriff Flora, who with the doctors told Benson he would surely die and asked him if he desired to see a preacher and his wife. He answered affirmatively, "Yes," and the clergyman was called.

Benson, however, declined to say anything when his wife arrived; he simply shook his head and kissed her. The doctor declared that Benson was in a desire to see Sheriff Flora alone, and the room was cleared. He was told he could not live, and Flora asked him if he had anything to say. Benson denied being a murderer and reiterated disclosures made to Sheriff Flora and the jailer which were before unpublished. This is all the man would say and the physicians resumed their labors with him. Benson died at 7:30 o'clock tonight, never regaining consciousness after taking medicine.

Prior to the examination of the stomach he showed the utmost anxiety and made no confession of his most brutal murder of Mrs. Mettman. He expressed the slightest regret at the attempted murder of his watch. The body is still in the jail and will be disposed of as Sheriff Flora deems fit.

GENERAL JAIL DELIVERY.

A Plot Discovered Among Prisoners Confined in the Cheyenne Jail.

CHEYENNE, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The prisoners of the jail here evolved a scheme to effect a general jail delivery. The leading spirits in the plot were three men condemned on charges punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary. They had not, however, received their sentence, and expected a longer time to elapse before being sentenced and sent to the penitentiary. This alone prevented the success of the plot. They had procured a saw to cut a number of the cell doors, which would afford them an opportunity to overpower the night guard when they were taken into court and sentenced, and immediately after they were taken to the penitentiary. Six-shooter Smith, who is in the jail, feared the saw might be used, and he denied the plot, and gave it up, at the same time disclosing the plot so narrowly frustrated.

TACOMA'S MISSING BANKER.

He Is Said to Have Been Seen as Late as Thursday Night.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 15.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Banker Linus E. Post was deepened by a statement made tonight by A. R. Link, a prominent citizen who has known Post four years, who says he rode from Seattle to Tacoma in Post's company last Thursday night. Post seemed morose and unwilling to talk, and walked alone up the street as soon as the train arrived here. Officials of the bank of which Post is president, had detectives in New York tracing Post's movements in the city. He traced him to the Lackawanna depot, but lost trace there. Bank officials claim that Post is surely in the east and that he will never return to Tacoma.

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A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Banker Linus E. Post of Tacoma, Wash., has been cleared up. He has not been murdered nor has he committed suicide as was generally supposed. He was seen alive in Hoboken where it now turns out he took a steamer for Europe.

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CUSTOM HOUSE FRAUDS.

An Extremely Bold Method Adopted by a New York Broker.

He Has Been Arrested and His Case Will Come Up for a Hearing in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The case of Wallace Ogden, the well known custom house broker who was arrested some days ago for fraud in the custom house, is to be called before Commissioner Shields tomorrow, and he will probably be held under heavy bonds to await the action of the federal grand jury. That method by which Ogden was able to secure a permit for the delivery of one class of goods upon entries for another kind of merchandise was an extremely bold one, and never before attempted, so far as is known, by any other broker.

His plan, as told by a custom house officer, was to rush into the cashier's office about fifteen minutes before the department closed and to go to one of the four receiving clerks an entry to which was attached a number of invoices. At that time in the afternoon there would be a tremendous rush in the business of the cashier's office, and as Mr. Ogden was well known in the department, the clerk to whom he handed the papers would simply see that the figures on the entry were correct without looking at the invoices, and after satisfying himself that there were no errors in multiplication and division, would, without further inspection, stamp the papers "paid." If the clerk had ever examined the invoices in any instance, it is said, he would have found an invoice for several thousand dollars' worth of dutiable goods which did not appear on the entry.

The word "Paid" once stamped upon his papers it was an easy matter to have the goods turned over to the consignee. Although one instance is slighted against him in the complaint upon which he was arrested, yet there have already been discovered, it is said, six other cases in which the same fraud was perpetrated. The books are to be carefully examined and it is expected that other cases will be found. In one of the irregularities already discovered goods to the value of the duties amounted to \$300 were released upon a permit issued upon an invoice which showed the payment of duties of only \$6.65.

CHINESE WONT REGISTER.

A Chinese Lawyer Proposes Contesting the Constitutionality of the Same.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 15.—Sam Ping Lee, a Chinese lawyer of New York, who is president of the Chinese Equal Rights club, said today in an interview that the Chinese in this country do not intend to comply with the act of Congress requiring them to register and deposit their photographs with the local collectors of internal revenue before May 1 under penalty of expulsion from the country. The Chinese combined have engaged counsel and will contest the constitutionality of the act. There are 450 Chinese in this